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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

November 5, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the communication issued October 22, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the claims

Please cancel claim 21; without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace claim 20 with the following amended claim.

20. (Amended) A method for isolating a desired gene, which comprises

(i) inserting DNA fragments of obtained from DNA containing the desired gene into a plasmid vector(s) comprising a promoter